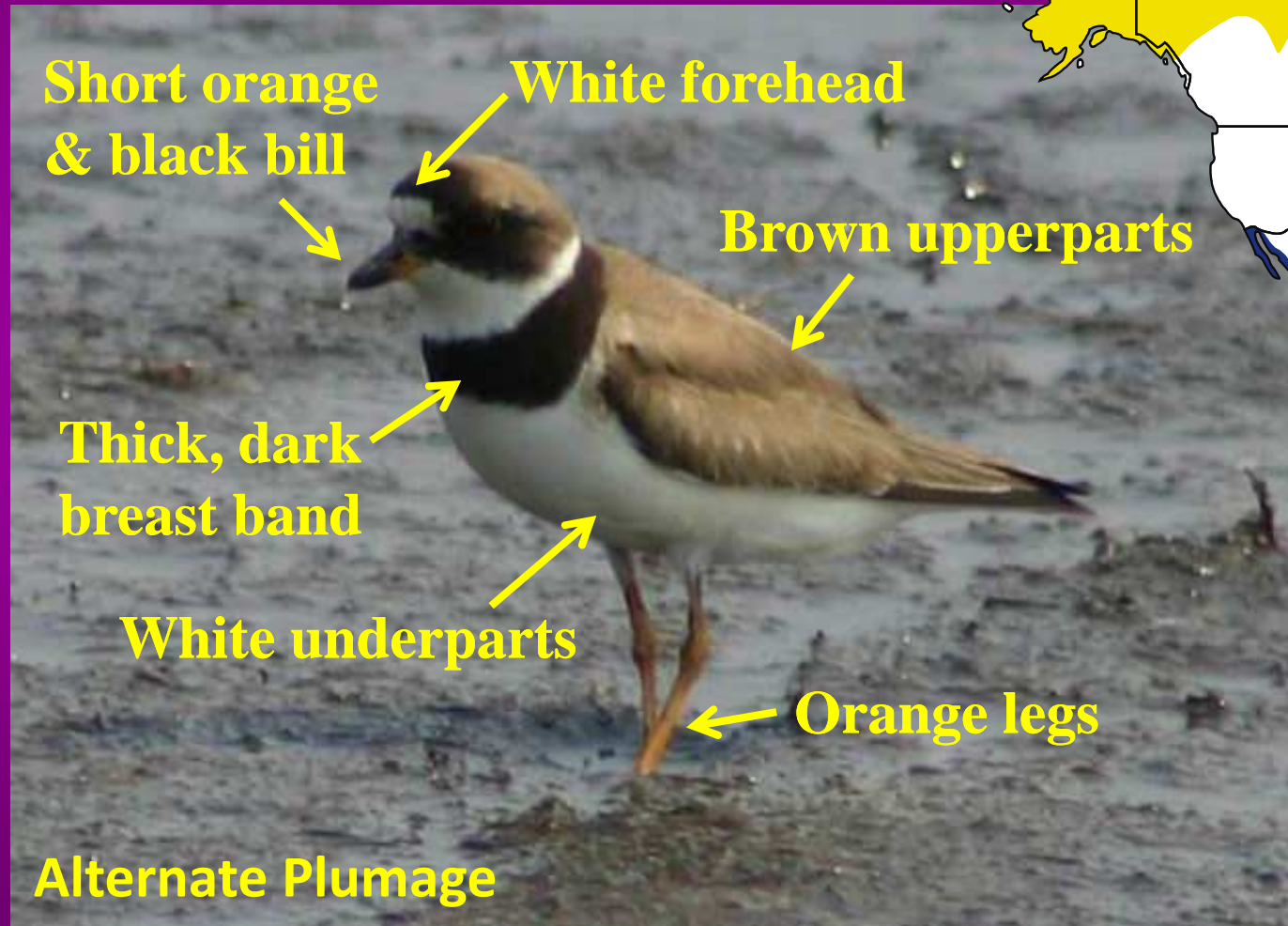


Semipalmated Plover

Charadrius semipalmatus



45 g

Semipalmated Plover

Charadrius semipalmatus

Short mostly
black bill

White forehead & eyebrow

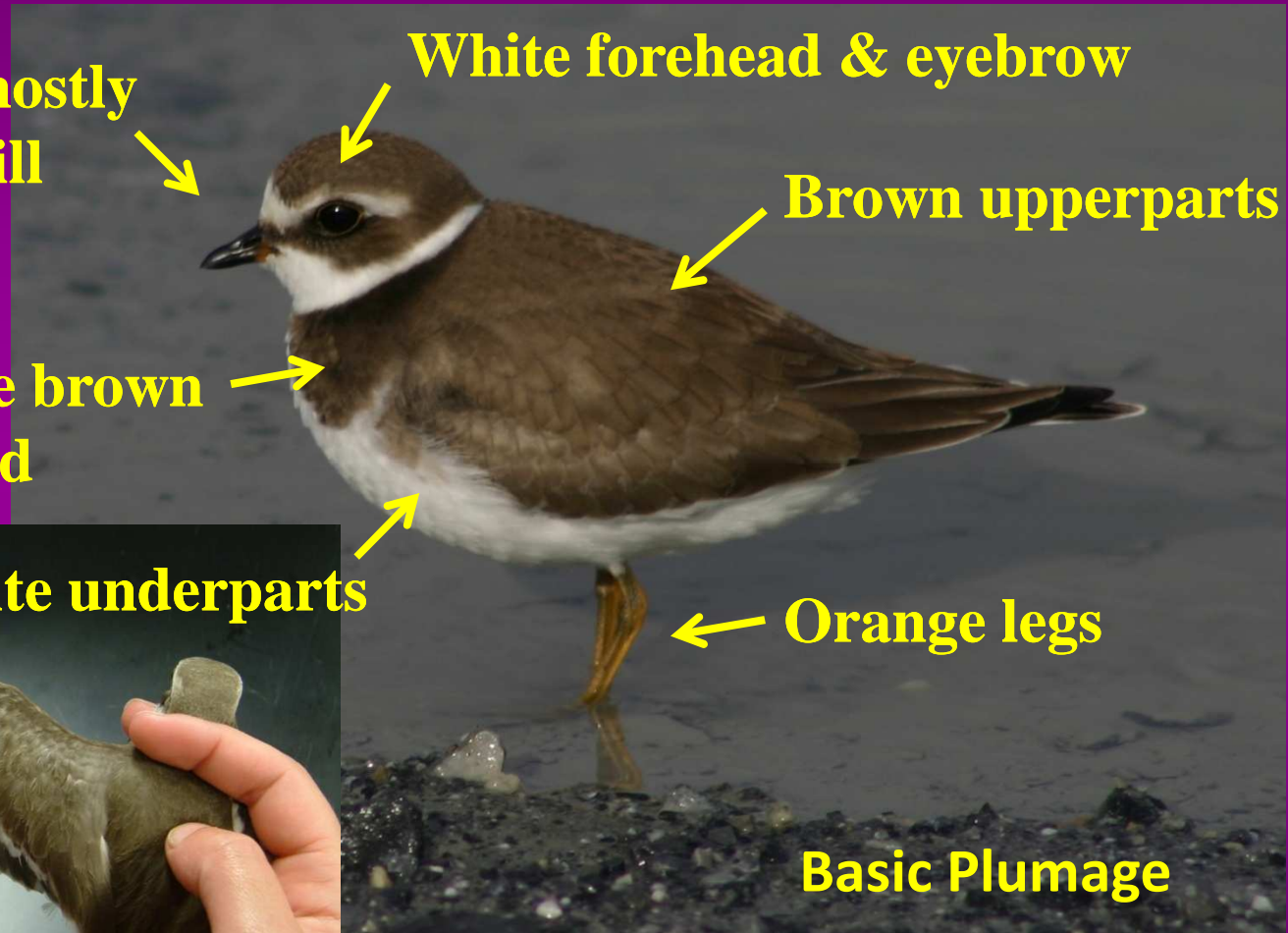
Brown upperparts

Incomplete brown
breast band

White underparts

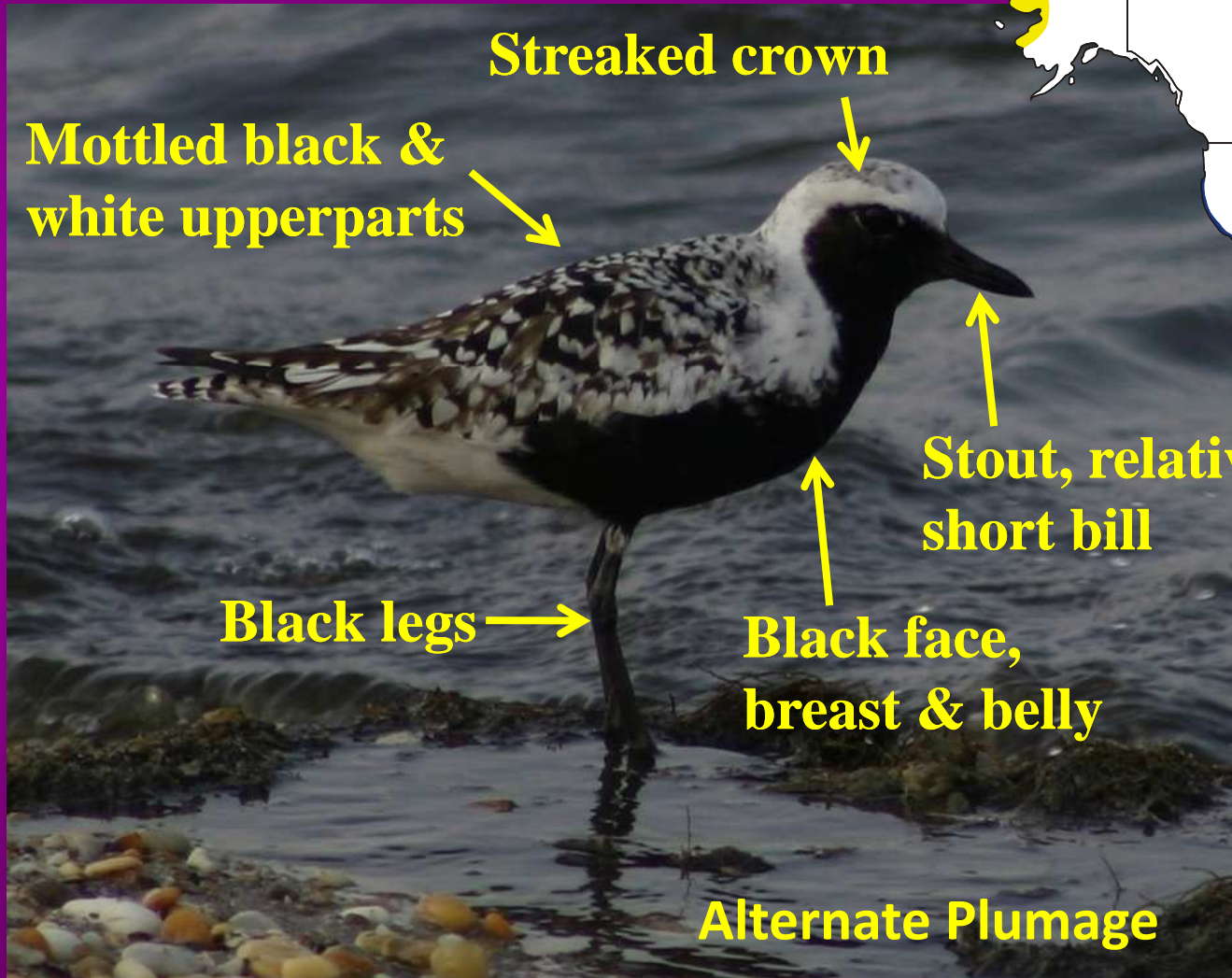
Orange legs

Basic Plumage



Black-bellied Plover

Pluvialis squatarola



Streaked crown

Mottled black & white upperparts

Stout, relatively short bill

Black legs

Black face, breast & belly

Alternate Plumage



240 g

Black-bellied Plover

Pluvialis squatarola



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Laughing Gull

Larus atricilla



Alternate Plumage

Attains adult plumage (illustrated here) in three years. Immature plumages rarely seen in Delaware in spring.



Basic Plumage



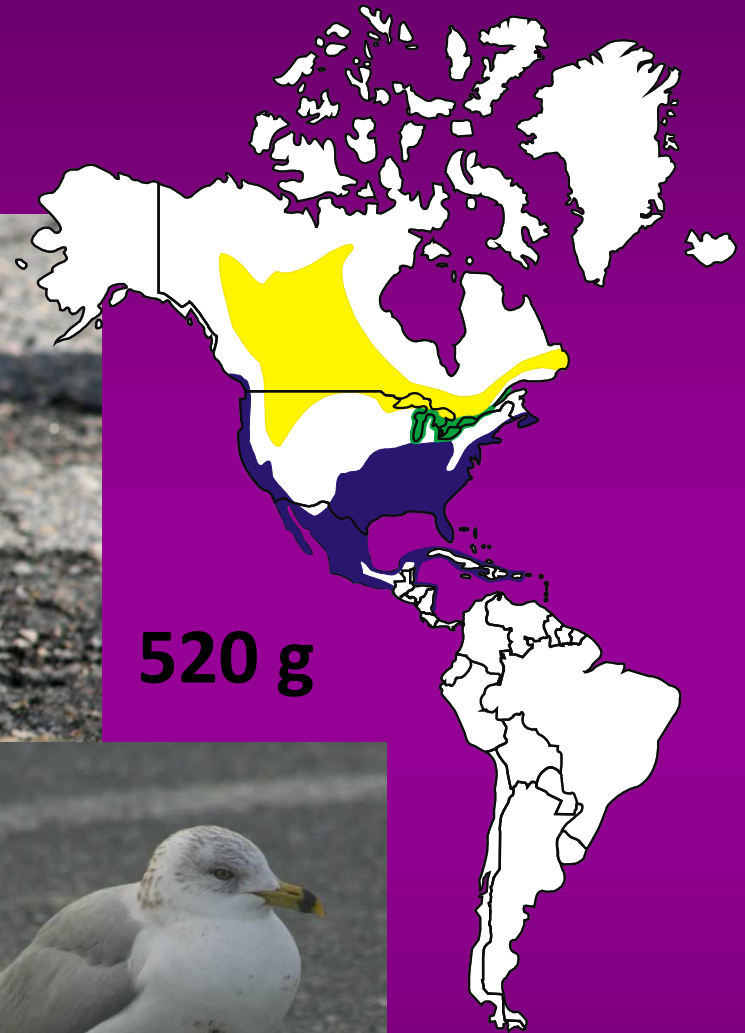
Ring-billed Gull

Larus delawarensis

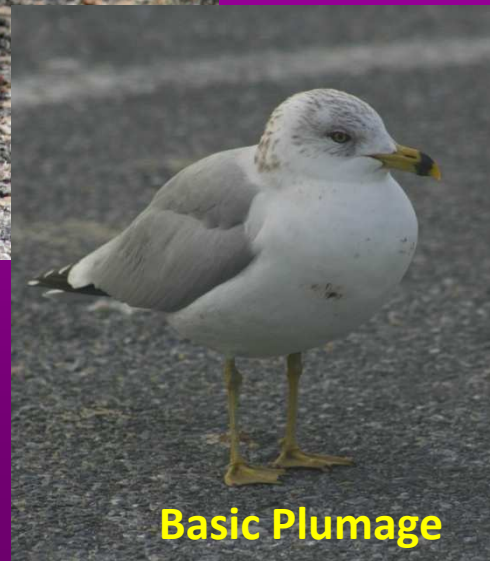


Alternate Plumage

Attains adult plumage (illustrated here) in three years. Immature plumages vary each year.



520 g



Basic Plumage

Herring Gull

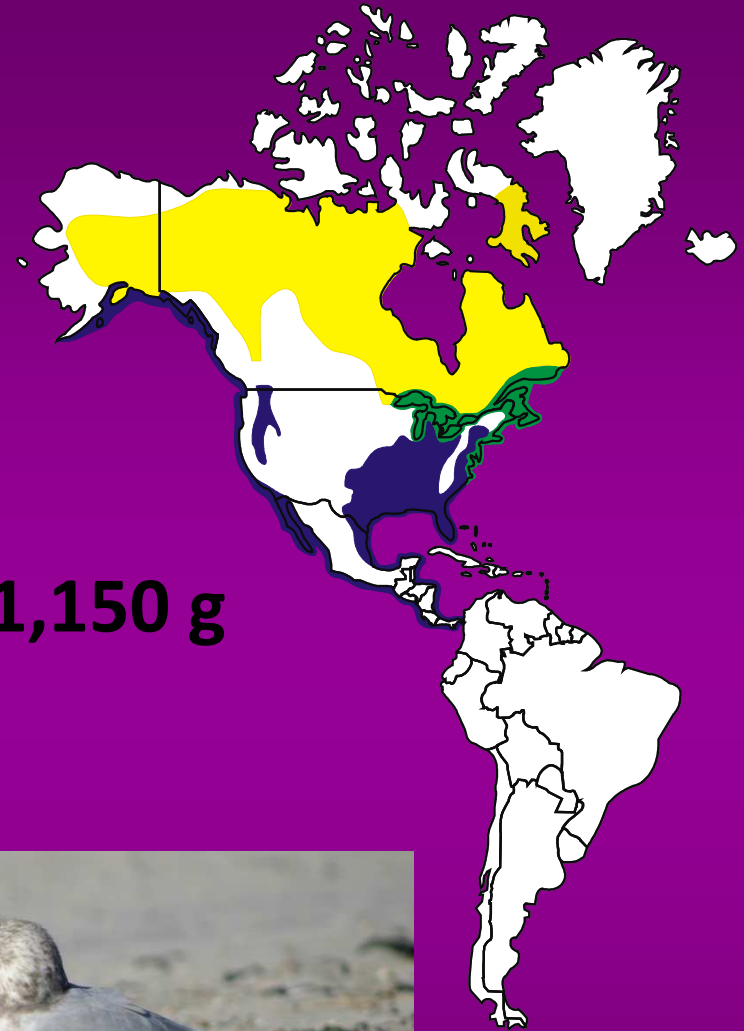
Larus argentatus

Alternate Plumage



Attains adult plumage (illustrated here) in four years. Immature plumages vary each year.

1,150 g



Basic Plumage



Great Black-backed Gull

Larus marinus

Basic Plumage



1,650 g

Attains adult plumage (illustrated here) in four years. Immature plumages vary each year. Shows the least amount of difference between alternate and basic plumage.